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NORMS FOR OPENING OF UNIVERSITIES AND PROFESSIONAL COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have laid down any norms for the opening of Universities and professional colleges in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) & (b): The University Grants Commission (UGC) hasframed guidelines for establishment of new universities. The guidelines, inter alia, provide that before a proposal for the establishment of a university is formulated, there should be a survey of the existing facilities for higher education in the State and its projected needs. The UGC should be associated right from the beginning with the survey prior to the formulation of the proposal. It is also necessary to have sufficient data indicating the existing position and justifying the need for an additional university.

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE),which is the Statutory Body empowered to grant approval for starting new technical institutions, has notified Regulations for starting new technical institutions. AICTE grantsapproval to applicants who fulfil the laid-down requirements as per the prescribed norms and standards, such as, land, built-up area, computing facilities, library, faculty, fund, etc.